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HISTORICAL HOUSES

AND TREES

SHARON, MASS.

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DEDICATION

I dedicate
this book to
Mr. Solomon Talbot
and

Mr. John Goddard Phillips
former presidents of the
Sharon Historical Society,
who kindly gave me much of
the early history of Sharon,
and to these three friends
Mrs. Henry M. Plummer(Sr.)

Mrs. Frank B. Goode
Miss Faith Goddard,
who helped me with
trees, shrubs and
flowers of
Sharon, Mass.

1908-- --1942



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PREFACE

The reason I have compiled and written this is, that before I came to Sharon, When I lived in Brookline, Mass., (thirty-four years ago) I was much interested in the rare and beautiful trees of that Town. A tree map and a book on these trees was written by Miss Emma G. Cummins of Brookline.

When I first came to Sharon, I was too ill to enter into the social life of the Town or walk much but I had to live out of doors; As I grew stronger I took a camp chair of light weight and lengthened my walks by resting often under some shade tree. These trees became my friends and I loved them. So, I began to put them on a map of the Town, classifying them; the best and largest and oldest oaks, elms, chestnuts and found Sharon had many even rare imported trees.

My neighbor, Mrs. Henry Plummer became interested in the trees and the old historic houses and roads, "King Phillip's Path" which the Indians traversed from the Cape to Boston; also the Old Post Road and we asked the two Presidents of the Historical Society, many questions, which they answered in the Advocate. These excited some general interest among the people of the Town at that time.

I have gathered these stories and history together in this book, hoping now they may interest others to take these maps and go out and find the trees, flowers and places of

Old Houses Have Secrets.

Old houses like gentlefolks are sly
For shabbiness and quaint oldfashioned ways
Mark them the relics of those other days
Before men worshipped speeds efficiency
They seem to sit apart to draw aside
From life's insistent urge, in musings deep
They dream and tender rendezvous they keep
With all the tresured memories they hide
A footstep ??.....whispers.....scent of rare perfumes
An old love song...fa int russles of a gown
A sobbing cry...ga y laughter drifting down-
These a re substa nce of long lived rooms
Old houses like old hearts are loath to tell Dear secrets
Dear secrets the ha ve hidden long and well.





The rock where
the Devil left
the imprint of
his cloven foot



The hole and rock out of which the Devil came.

Chapter I

POLE PLAIN

In the middle of the seventeenth century there was an old post road which wended its way from Boston through Dedham, Fowl Meadows, Pole Plain, and on southward to Providence. The Fowl Meadows are called the Canton Meadows, and Pole Plain, Sharon. Pole Plain was just about half way between Boston and Providence and offered good prospects to the innkeeper with forethought enough to take advantage of it. Some time before 1657 a man, it is uncertain who, built a house there and called his place the Wayman's Ordinary. It was located on the Old Post Road southwest of Wollomolopoag Pond. His chief neighbors were the Indians and the animals of the forests.

The name Pole Plain must have been applied to what is now Sharon Heights, since that is the only part of the town where there is a plain of any size. There are several theories as to the source of the name Pole. The most reasonable and undoubtedly the true version of the story is that the plain was a continuation of the plain owned by and named after Elizabeth Pole, the founder of Taunton, since Taunton at that early date extended north to the Old Colony Line.

SHARON VILLAGE IN 1910

One hundred years ago the population of the whole town of Sharon was at its lowest ebb, numbering just 1000 inhabitants. The village was built mainly on the one road running north and south now called Main Street. There were but 15 houses on this road between the present Sharon Heights and the Box Factory. Only two other roads had been laid out in the village; one leading to Massapoag Pond and the other to Moose Hill. On the former there was one house, not now standing, situated near the present residence of Mr. Kempton; and the latter road had two houses between the main road and the top of the rise beyond the railroad, both still standing wholly or in part. The railroad was not built until about 30 years later. Many of the farms on the east side of the main road extended back to Massapoag Brook, and of those on the west, to Beaver Hole Brook.

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Next the Meetinghouse stood the same brick house, now occupied by Mr. Chapman, then as now, the only brick dwelling in town. The house was built the same year as the Tavern opposite, probably in 1804, and was occupied by Aaron Fisher, who also kept a store in the South End.

On the corner across the road, where now is the new brick block, stood the old square white house recently moved back onto High Street. This was the Savels Tavern, kept by Maj. John Savels, and well known for its good cheer.

A little farther on, on the same side stood a low, primitive building--the town schoolhouse. It was removed when the new schoolhouse on School St. was erected about 40 years later. The large flat rock which supported the chimney can still be seen just at the westerly end of the horse sheds of the Congregational church.

Again crossing the old road, there stood the old parsonage, now the residence of Dr. Dennett. This house, the second one on the lot, the first having been destroyed by lightning, was built by Rev. Mr. Curtis, the first minister in 1757, and in 1810 was occupied by the Parish minister, Rev. Jonathan Whittaker.



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

List of Ministers over the Congregational Church
Sharon Mass.

Joseph Felt	1821 -1824
Jona than Custus	1822 -1844
Libius R. Philips	1841- 1869
S. Inglesol Brant	1868- 1874
Henry C. Weston	1874-1888
Edward G. Smith	1881- 1887
George G. Stanton	1887-1897
Almon J. Dyer	1897-1918
Jospph B. Lyman	1918-1928
Norman B. Cawley	1928-1939
Otto E. Jonas	1939- 1941



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL PARISH (UNITARIAN)

Purple Beech Mrs Barrow's House Highland St





THE SHARON INN

Site of the Hotel Sharon

Gingko Tree
in front of the high school



Gingko Tree.
in front of the
high school



Gingko Tree.

"Salisburya. Maiden-hair tree. In honor of Richard A. Salisbury, a distinguished English botanist. Linn. Monoecia-Polyandria. Nat. order Taxaceae.

This very remarkable tree was formerly called *Gingko biloba*, *Gingko* being its name in Japan. The only species that has been described, and is to be found in collections of ornamental trees in *S. adiantifolia*, the leaves resembling in form those of the Maiden hair fern, the botanical name of which is *Adiantum*. This is one of the most beautiful and peculiar of all baray exotic trees and one so entirely different in habit and foliage from all others belonging to this order, that were it not for the flowers and fruit, it would have been difficult to find its proper position in the vegetable kingdom. Without regard to its botanical position, it is beyond question one of the most beautiful trees under cultivation. It attains a height of eighty feet, and has a straight trunk, with a pyramidal head.

This tree is a native of China and Japan, and was introduced into England in 1754. It is not yet as common in this country as it should be, on account of its price and scarcity, but is now being more largely propagated and planted. . . . It is propagated in this country by layers. As it is dioecious (in seed plants having staminate and pistillate flowers borne on different individuals, as in the willows) and there being no male plant in this country, there has been no fruit borne. The fruit is common in Japan

Gingko Tree--continued--

and is highly esteemed for its astringent properties, and for the reputation it has for promoting digestion.

--Henderson's Handbook of Plants (pub.1881)

Gingko Fruit

The fruit of the Gingko looks like a drupe (as in the plum, cherry, apricot, peach) superficially, but is very much more like a cone than a drupe in actual structure. The order to which the Gingko belongs is one of three orders of Gymnosperms, or plants with naked seeds, the most important of which is the order of cone-bearing trees or conifers. The Gingko is closely allied to the conifers and is called a deciduous conifer, or cone-bearing tree, which drops its leaves yearly.

--Clipping.



Deborah Sampson tree
where she tied her horse
on returning from fighting.
Only woman to fight in
Revolutionary War.

Mrs. F B Gooding Garden.

Well from where she drank



WILD FLOWERS AT BIRDACRES

(Mrs. Frank B. Goode)

Arrowhead	Sagittaria
Jack-in-the-pulpit	Arisaema triphyllum
Water arum	Calla palustris
Skunk Cabbage	Symplocarpus foetidus
Virginia Day Flower	Commelina Virginica
Spiderwort	Tradescantia Virginica
carriion Flower	Smilax herbacea
Green Brier	Smilax rotundifolia
Clintonia	Clintonia borealis
False Spikenard	Spilacina racemosa
Canada Mayflower	Mainanthemum Canadense
Solomon's seal	Polygonatum biflorum
Bellwort	Uvularia perfoliate
Oakesia	Oakesia sessilifolia
Stenless Trillium	Trillium sessile
Trillium erectum	
Painted Trillium	Trillium undulatum
Large Flowering	Trillium grandiflorum
Nodding Trillium	Trillium cernuum
Trillium recurvatum	
Trillium stylosum	
Indian Cucumber	Medeola Virginica
Wood Lily	Lilium Philadelphican
Canada Lily	Lilium canadense
Tur's Cap Lily	Lilium superbum

Tiger Lily	<i>Lilium tigrinum</i>
Dog Tooth Violet or White Adder's Tongue	<i>Erythronium albidum</i>
Yellow Day Lily	<i>Hemerocallis flava</i>
Star-of-Bethlehem	<i>Ornithogalum umbellatum</i>
Twisted Stalk	<i>Streptopus roseus</i>
Star Grass	<i>Hypoxis hirsuta</i>
Larger Blue Flag	<i>Iris versicolor</i>
Crested Dwarf Iris	<i>Iris cristata</i>
Blue-eyed Grass	<i>Sisyrinchium angustifolia</i>
Rattlesnake Plantain	<i>Epipactis repens</i>
<i>Habenaris flava</i>	
Smaller Purple Fringed Orchis	<i>Habenaris psycodes</i>
Moccasin Flower	<i>Cypripedium acaule</i>
Wild Ginger	<i>Asarum arifolium</i>
Lady's Thumb	<i>Polgonum persicaria</i>
Arrow-leaved Tearthumb	<i>Polgonum sagittatum</i>
Bouncing Bet	<i>Saponaria officinalis</i>
Deptford Pink	<i>Dianthus armeria</i>
Bladder campion	<i>Silene latifolia</i>
Evening Lychnis	<i>Lychnis alba</i>
Corn Cockle	<i>Agrostemma githago</i>
Field Chickweed	<i>Cerastium arvense</i>
Ragged Robin	<i>Lychnis flos-cuculi</i>
Thimble-weed	<i>Anemone virginiana</i>
Canadian Anemone	<i>Anemone canadensis</i>
Wood Anemone	<i>Anemone quinquefolia</i>

Rue Anemone	Anemone thalictroides
Hepatica	Hepatica triloba
Early Meadow Rue	Thalictrum dicicum
Fall Meadow Rue	" polgammum
Small-flowered crowfoot	Ferniculus abortivus
Fall Buttercup	" cris
Marsh Marigold	Caltha palustris
Columbine	Aquilegia Canadensis
Goldthread	Coptis trifolia
White Baneberry	Actaea alba
May Apple	Podophyllum peltatum
Bloodroot	Sanguinaria Canadensis
Dutchman's Breeches	Dicentra cucullaria
Pale Corydalis	Corydalis sempervirens
Spring Cress	Cardamine bulbosa
Shepherd's Purse	Capsella bursa-pastoris
Wild Peppergrass	Lepidium Virginicum
Live-forever	Sedum purpureum
Wild Stonecrop	Sedum ternatum
Early Saxifrage	Saxifraga Virginiana
Meadow Sweet	Spirea latifolia
Hardhack or Sticklebush	" tomentosa
American Wood Strawberry	Fragaria vesca
Rough-fruited Cinquefoil	Potentilla recta
Five-finger or Cinquefoil	" Canadensis
Swamp Rose	Rosa Carolina
Dwarf Wild Rose	" Virginiana
Rabbit-foot Rose	Trifolium arvenae

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Red Clover	<i>Trifolium pratense</i>
White Clover	" <i>repens</i>
Yellow, or Hop Clover	<i>agrarium</i>
Cow Vetch	<i>Vicia cracca</i>
Wild Geranium	<i>Geranium maculatum</i>
Wood Sorrel	<i>Oxalis acetosella</i>
Yellow Wood Sorrel	" <i>corniculata</i>
Fringed Milkwort	<i>Polygala paucifolia</i>
<i>Polygala Sanguinea</i>	
Cypress Spurge	<i>Euphorbia cyparissias</i>
Jewel-weed	<i>impatiens pallida</i>
Marsh Mallow	<i>Althea officinalis</i>
Shrubby St. Johnswort	<i>Hypericum prolificum</i>
Common " "	" <i>perforatum</i>
Frostweed	<i>Helianthemum canadense</i>
Bird's Foot Violet	<i>Viola pedata</i>
<i>Viola palmata</i>	
Common Violet	<i>Viola papilionacea</i>
Arrow-leaved Violet	" <i>sagittata</i>
Marsh Violet	" <i>cullata</i>
Sweet White Violet	" <i>blanda</i>
Lance-leaved Violet	" <i>lanceolata</i>
Downy Yellow Violet	" <i>pubescens</i>
Canada Violet	" <i>canadensis</i>
Purple Loosestrife	<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>
Meadow-beauty or Deer Grass	<i>Rhexia virginica</i>
Evening Primrose	<i>Oenothera biennis</i>
Fireweed	<i>Epilobium angustifolium</i>
Sandbars	<i>Oenothera fruticosa</i>

Bristly Sarsaparilla	Aralia Racemosa
Wild "	" nudicaulis
Queen Anne's Lace	Daucus carota
Cow Parsnip	Heacleum lanatum
Water Pennywort	Hydrocotyle american
Flowering Dogwood	cornus florida
Bunchberry	" canadensis
Pipsissewa	Chimaphila umbellata
Shinleaf	Pyrola elliptica
Round-leaved Pyrola	" americana
Indian Pipe	Monotropa uniflora
Trailing Arbutus	Epipsa repens
Wintergreen	Gaultheria procumbens
Mountain Laurel	Kalmia latifolia
Sheep Laurel	" angustifolia
White Swamp honeysuckle	Rhododendron viscosum
Ster Flower	Trientalis americana
Four-leaved Loosestrife	Lysimachia quadrifolia
Moneywort (from my great grandmother's garden)	" nummularia
Pimpernel	Anagallis arvensis
Purple Milkweed	Asclepias syriaca
Swamp "	" incarnate
Moss Pink	Phlox subulata
Phlox pilosa	
Virginia Cowslip	Mertensia virginica
Forget-me-not	Myosotis scorpiodes
Blue Vervain	Verbena hastata
Pale Purple Mint	Teucrium canadense

Peppermint

Oswego Tea

Wild Bergamot

Gill-over-the-ground

Self-heal

False Dragonhead

Nightshade

Great Mullein

Blue Toad Flax

Turtle Head

Slender Gerardia

Lousewort

Bluet

Partridgeberry

Rough Bedstraw

Coral-Berry or
Indian Currant

Fly Honeysuckle

Bellflower

Cardinal Flower

Lobelia inflata

Joe-Pye-Weed

Boneset

White Snakeroot

Venus' Looking Glass

Bush honeysuckle

7 species Goldenrod

Large-leaved Aster

Mentha piperita

Monarda didyma

" *fistulosa*

Nepeta hederacea

Prunella vulgaris

Physostegia Virginiana

Solanum dulcamara

Verbascum thapsus

Lenaria Canadensis

Chelone glabra

Gerardia tenuifolia

Pedicularis Canadensis

Houstonia caerulea

Mitchella repens

Galium asprellum

Symphoricarpos orbiculatus

Lonicera canadensis

Campanula rapunculoides

Lobelia cardinalis

Eupatorium purpureum

" *perfoliatum*

" *urticaefolium*

Specularia perfoliata

Diervilla lonicera

Solidago

Aster macrophyllus

New England Aster	Aster novae Angliae
Spreading Aster	" patens
Heart-leaved Aster	" cordifolius
Smooth Aster	" laevis
Calico Aster	" lateriflorus
Horseweed	Rigera canadensis
Daisy Fleabane	" ramosus
Robin's Plantain	" Hutchellus
Fussy-toes	Antennaria plantaginifolia
Pearly Everlasting	Anaphalis margaritacea
Black-eyed Susan	Rudbeckia hirta
Fall Sunflower	Helianthus annuus
Woodland Sunflower	" divaricatus
Beggar-ticks	Bidens frondosa
Yarrow	Achillea millefolium
Oxeye Daisy	Chrysanthemum leucanthemum
Tansy	Tanacetum vulgare
Golden Ragwort	Senecio aureus
Smaller Burdock	Arctium minus
Fall Dandelion	Leontodon autumnalis
Chicory	Cichorium intybus
Tawny Hawkweed	Hieracium aurantiacum
Canada "	" canadense
Lion's Foot or Gall of the Earth	Prenanthes serpenteria
Fall White Lettuce	" altissima
Common Dandelion	Taraxacum officinale

Built in the eighteenth century, and known as the Barney Capen farm for many years, stands the old square house with its two large chimneys on Massapoag Street. The main part of the house, with its eight fireplaces, has been changed only enough to adapt it to modern living, and two wings have been added. The wide doorway is a reminder of the days of hand work. The place is called by its present owners "Hearthstone".

The outstanding trees in the garden are a cladrastis or yellow wood, five hawthornes, an old white lilac with a trunk over a foot in diameter, and a trained seckel pear arbor.

The following is a list of the various trees and shrubs which may be found on the place:

White spruce, blue spruce, fir, hemlock, Austrian pine, white pine, mugho pine, arbor-vitae (American, globe and pyramidal), juniper or cedar, chamaecyparis.

Larch, purple beech, red Japanese maple, red maple, sugar maple, birch, magnolia, hawthorne, cladrastis, mountain ash, camperdown elm (grafted tree), locust, catalpa, hickory, poplar, oak, sycamore, apple, pear, cherry, plum and quince.

Forsythia, flowering quince, flowering plum, white and purple lilac, spiraea (several varieties), caragana, calycanthus, mockorange or syringa, bush honeysuckle, euonymous (three varieties including the winged or alatus), deutzia, kerria japonica, jetbead, rosa rugosa, snowberry, hypericum, weigela, viburnum, barberry, cotoneaster, clethra, steeplebush, bayberry, and sumac.

Rhododendron, laurel and andromeda.

Barney Capen House Built in the eighteenth Century.
Massapoag Street



Side view of Mrs Irving Spears House Massapoag St.





The Old Morse house Morse Street. Built in 1780



Old House on Moose Hill Parkway known as Springside formerly
owned by Charles Eliot Ware.

WILD FLOWERS FOUND IN SHARON.

Collected by Mrs. Robert Morse.

Adder's Mouth

Adder's Tongue, yellow; Dog-tooth violet.

Ague-weed, Bonset; Thoroughwort.

Alder, black

Alder, white; Sweet Pepper Bush; Clithra

Anemone, wood; Wind Flower.

Arbutus, Trailing; May Flower; Ground Laurel.

Arrow-head

Aster, purple

Aster, white

Azalea, Clammy; White Swamp Honeysuckle.

Balsam, apple, wild.

Baneberry, white

Barberry

Beach Pea

Bean, wild

Beard-tongue

Beggar-ticks; Stick-tight; Bur Marigold

Bee Balm; Oswego Tea

Beechdrops; Cancer-root

Bellwort

Benjamin-Bush; Spice- Bush; Fever-Bush

Bergamont; wild

Betony, Wood

Bindweed, Hedge; Wild Morning-Glory

II

Bird' Nest; Wild Carrot; Queen Anne's Lace.

Birthroot; Wake Robin; Trillium

Black-eyed Susan; Cone Flower

Bladder Campion

Blood-Root

Blueberry

Blue Curls; Bastard Pennyroyal

Blue-eyed Grass

Bluets

Bouncing Bet; Soapwort

Blueweed; Viper's Bugloss

Bugbone; Black Cohosh, Black Snakeroot

Bunch-berry; Dwarf Cornel

Bush-Honeysuckle

Butter-and-Eggs

Butterfly-weed;Pleurisy-root

Button-Bush

Calico-Bush; Spoonwood; Mountain- Laurel

Calla, wild

Cardinal Flower

Celandine

Chamomile; Mayweed

Checkerberry; Wintergreen; Mountain Tea

Chickweed

Chicory; Succory

Cinquefoil; Common Five Finger

Clover, Bush

Clover, yellow or hop

Clover, white sweet

III

Columbine, Wild

Corpse Plant; Ghost Flower; Indian Pipe.

Corydalis; Pale

Cowbane, Spotted; Water Hemlock

Cowslip; Marsh Marigold

Cow Wheat

Cranberry

Cranesbill, Wild; Wild Geranium

Cynthia; Dwarf Dandelion

Daisy, Blue Spring; Herb Robert

Daisy, white; ox-eyed; white weed

Daisy, Fleabane; Sweet Scabiosis

Dandelion

Dandelion, Fall

Dangleberry

Deer-Grass; Meadow Beauty

Devil's Paintbrush; European Hawkweed

Dockmackie; Maple-leaved Viburnum

Dogbane, spreading

Dogwood

Elder, Common

Elecampane

Evening Primrose

Everlasting, Pearly

Everlasting, Fragrant

Fireweed; Great Willow Herb

IV

Flag, Blue; Fleur-de-lis

Foam Flower, False Mitre-wort

For-get-me-not

Foxglove

Frost Weed; Rock Rose

Gall-of- the- Earth; Lion's foot

Garget; Pokeweed; Pigeon-berry

Gerardia, Purple

Gill-over-the- ground; Ground Ivy

Ginger, wild

Goldthread

Ground-nut; Dwarf Ginseng

Gentian, closed

Gentian, fringed

Hardback; Steeplebush

Hawkweed; Rattlesnake- weed

Hawthorn

Heal-all; Self-heal

Hedge Bind Weed; Wild morning glory

Huckleberry

Huntsmen's Cap; Pitcher Plant; Side Saddle Flower

Indian Cucumber Root

Indian Tobacco

Indian Turnip

Ivy, Poison

Jewel-weed ; Touch-me-Not

V

Joe Pye weed; Trumpet-weed

June-Berry; Shad- Bush; Service-Berry

Ladies' Tresses

Ladies' Slipper, Pink; Moccasin Flower

Lambkill; Sheep Laurel

Laurel, Mountain

Lily, Meadow; wild yellow lily

Lily, white water

Lily, wood, wild red

Lily, yellow pond; Spatter Dock

Linaria, Blue; Blue Toad Flax

Lobelia, Spiked

Loosestrife, four-leaved

Loosestrife, purple

Loosestrife, yellow

Lousewort, Wood Betong

Meadow Rue, Fall

Meadow Sweet

Milfoil; Common Yarrow

Milkweed, Common

Milkweed, swamp

Milkwort, common

Mullein, Moth

Nightshade

Orchis, Ragged Fringed

Partridge Vine

VI

Pennyroyal, American

Peppermint

Pickerel -weed

Pipsisewa; Princess Pine

Plantain, Rattlesnake

Plantain, Robins; Blue Spring Daisy

Poison Ivy

polygala, Fringed

Ragwort, Golden

Rattlesnake-~~weed~~

Rhodora

St. John's Wart, common

Sarsparilla, wild

Saxifrage, early

Shepherd's Purse

Shin-Leaf

Silver-Rod

Simpler's Joy; Blue Vervain

Skunk Cabbage ; Swamp Cabbage

Soapwort; Bouncing Bet

Solomon's Seal

False Solomon's Seal

Sorrel, wood

Spearmint

Speedwell, common

Star-Flower

Star-Grass, yellow

Star- Grass, Blue

VII

Sumach, poison

Sumach, Staghorn

Sundew, Round-leaved

Tansy

Thistle

Tick-Trefoil

Traveller's Joy; Virgin's Bower

Trillium, Painted

Turtle-head

Vetch, Blue

Violet, Bird-foot

Violet, white sweet

Violet, downy yellow

Wake Robin

Water Arum

Witch-hazel

Woobine

Marianthemum Canadense, Canada Mayflower.



Job Swift
1711-1801

House built
1735

Job Swift House built 1711---1801 Oldest house in Sharon.





A. A. CARPENTER. Built 1800



Old Richard Hoose NORward Steet.





Old Richard House Norwood Street



Old Richard House Norwood Street

Trees at Sanctuary "2

Tupelo Gum (*Nyssa aquatica*) Several near Nature Trail.
White Ash (*Fraxinus americana*) One " " " . Uncommon.
Silver Bell (*halesia carolina*) 4 introduced.
Buckthorn (*Rhamnus caroliniana*) " Common about cottage.
Alder (*Alnus incana*) Common about pond.

SHRUBS AT SANCTUARY

<i>Viburnum prunifolium</i> --Black haw	<i>Catoneaster</i>
<i>V. opulus</i> --High bush cranberry	<i>Lencothoe catesbaei</i> --Catesby's Lancoth
<i>V. lantana</i> --way-faring tree.	<i>L. racemosa</i> --Swamp "
<i>V. dentatum</i> --arrowood	<i>Rhododendron maximum</i>
<i>V. lentago</i> --sheepberry	<i>R. viscosum</i> --white swamp azalia
<i>V. cassinoides</i> --witherod	<i>Clethra acuminata</i> --sweet pepper
<i>V. acerfolium</i> --maple leaf viburnum	<i>Myrica carolineensis</i> --sweet fern
<i>Cornus mascula</i> --Carnelian Cherry	<i>M. asplenifolia</i> --bayberry
<i>C. paniculata</i> --gray dogwood	<i>Calyanthus floridus</i> --Carolina allspice
<i>C. florida</i> --Flowering Dogwood	
<i>C. amomium</i> --silky cornel dogwood	
<i>C. alternifolia</i> --alternate leaved dogwood	
<i>C. stolonifera</i> --Red osier dogwood	
<i>Lonicera tartarica alba</i> --Honeysuckle	
<i>L. tartarica rosea</i> --"	
<i>L. semperivirens</i> --trumpet honeysuckle	
<i>Euonymus alatus</i> --winged euonymus	
<i>E. europaeus</i> --European spindle tree	
<i>Philadelphus coronarius</i> --	
<i>P. inodorus</i> --	
<i>Aronia nigra</i> --black chokeberry	
<i>A. melanocarpa</i> --red "	
<i>Amelanchier</i> --shadbush	
<i>Hamamelis virginica</i> --witch hazel	
<i>Rhus glabra</i> --smooth sumach	
<i>R. copallina</i> --mountain sumac	
<i>R. canadensis</i> --fragrant sumac	
<i>R. typhina</i> --staghorn sumac	
<i>Symphoricarpos orbiculatus</i> --coral berry	
<i>S. alba</i> --snowberry	
<i>Vaccinium</i> --	
<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i> --high bush blueberry	
<i>V. pennsylvanicum</i> --lowbush "	
<i>Tecoma radicans</i> --trumpet vine.	
<i>Ampelopsis quinquefolia</i> --virginia creeper	
<i>Akebia quinata</i> .	
<i>Berberis canadensis</i> --Am. barberry.	
<i>B. Thunbergia</i> --Japanesa "	
<i>Syringa vulgaris</i> --lilac	
<i>Ilex monticola</i> --mountain holly	
<i>I. verticillata</i> --black alder	
<i>Celastrus scandens</i> --climbing bittersweet	
<i>Lysocarpus opulifolius</i> --ninebark	

MOOSE HILL BIRD SANCTUARY

A list of Trees found within borders.

- White Pine (*Pinus Strobus*) A common species in several sections. 1000
4 year transplants added 1925 (?) now well advanced.
- Pitch Pine (*Pinus regida*) Common in certain sections; Allen lot.
- Red Pine (*Pinus resinosa*) None formerly; 1000 introduced now well advanced in some sections.
- European Larch (*Larix decidua*) A few near Sanctuary headquarters.
- Red Spruce (*Picea rubra*) Fairly common; 500 planted but slow growing here.
- Norway Spruce (*Picea abies*) Rare; a few transplanted.
- Balsam Fir (*Abies balsamea*) One only at evergreen exhibit near cottage
- Douglas Fir (*Pseudotsuga taxifolia*) One at " " " "
- Hemlock (*Tsuga canadensis*) Formerly very rare on Moose Hill. 500 introduced.
- Arbor Vitae (*Thuja occidentalis*) Rare; a few transplanted.
- Dwarf Juniper (*Juniperus communis*) A few near upper campground.
- Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*) Fairly common. Many near pond section.
- American Aspen (*Populus tremuloides*) Not common; some near headquarters.
- Large toothed Aspen " *grandidentata* " " " " "
- Butternut (*Juglans cinerea*) Uncommon; a few near headquarters.
- Shagbark Hickory (*Carya ovata*) Several near "North Swamp Trail".
- Mockernut (*Carya alba*) Common in some sections; many west of house.
- Hignut (*Carya blabra*) " " " " " " " "
- Hornbeam (*Ostrya virginiana*) Uncommon; a few by Forbush Trail.
- Blue Beech (*Carpinus caroliniana*) " one or two by Nature Trail.
- Black Birch (*Betula lenta*) Common west of house and near North Swamp Trail.
- Yellow Birch (*Betula lutea*) Commoner than last species.
- Red Birch (*Betula nigra*) Uncommon; a few near house; probably introduced
- White Birch (*Betula pendula*) " " " " " " " "
- Gray Birch (*B. populifolia*) Very common in many sections.
- Beech (*Fagus grandifolia*) Rather uncommon; a few in scattered sections.
- White Oak (*Quercus alba*) A common species here.
- Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*) Several but much less common than last species
- Scarlet Oak (*Q. coccinea*) Fairly common; a few along Forbush Trail.
- Black Oak (*Quercus velutina*) " "
- American Elm (*Ulmus Americana*) Uncommon; a few planted; one from seed of Washington Elm.
- English Elm (*Ulmus campestris*) One only; near house.
- Red Mulberry (*Morus rubra*) One large tree near house; several small ones transplanted.
- Sassafras (*Sassafras varifolium*) Several small trees within Sanctuary
- Crab Apple (*Malus Kelsy*) 10 plants introduced in 1940
- Apple (*Pyrus Malus*) A few trees near cottage.
- European Mountain Ash (*Pyrus Aucuperia*) Not native; a few planted 10-1940
- Cockspur thorn (*Ctaraegus crus-galli*) Uncommon; a few near cottage.
- Washington thorn (*C. phaenopyrum*) five planted, 1940
- Rum Cherry (*Prunus serotina*) Common.
- Pin Cherry (*P. pennsylvanica*) "
- Striped Maple (*Acer pennsylvanicum*) Uncommon; 2 in arborway.
- Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*) Fairly common; many near cottage
- Box Elder (*A. negundo*) Six planted 1933.
- Horse Chestnut (*Aesculus castanum*) Uncommon.
- Lowering Dogwood (*cornus florida*) Uncommon; a few by Nature Trail; 3 near cottage.

How Moose Hill got its Name.

It may not be generally known to the present Generation that Moose Hill in the town of Sharon derived its name from an incident to the enclosed.

Jethro Wood born 1716 resident in Sharon in the

Archives at the State house killed two moose with one shot upon the hill in Sharon known now or recently as Moose Hill

Henry Spencer

West Haven Ct.







Old House Now Sharon Bird Sanctuary Moose Hill built 1



MOOSE HILL



Cobb Tavern Remodelled by Mr Best



THE OLD "COBB'S TAVERN"

Cobb Tavern Cob Corner



Interio of Cob Tavern

A Few Items of Historical Interest Given Miss
Miss Amelia Schwarz by Mr E. G. Richard of Sharon.

Early in the history of Sharon before the rail road to Providence came through Sharon the then calle Beaver brook, now called Forgetmenot brook because the forgetmenots now grow all up and down the brook They were planted by Miss Amelia Schwarz in 1914 and brought by her from Scituate Mas where the boys sold them at the railroad station.

The remains of the old cellar can be seen of the millers house if one walks down a path back of Miss Choates house North Main St toward the railroad and crosses the track and a little wooden bridge where the oldest grist mill in Sharon stood Three of the old mill stones have been found ; one is doorstep at Mrs Tileston house Ashcroft Road and the other two are lying in the gras near a well on Mrs Chapins house Maskwonicut Steet. The forth one I have not found,

ANA old knife factory was on Ames Street near a small this side of Manns Pond Here knives were made by the Ames Family from the steel of iron from the iron mines in Sharon

Mrs Arthur Hixon and Mrs Lizzie Leonard have knives made at this old iron.

The water supply for the first house built on the hill from the Beaver brook up to Sharon Square was raised by a very interesting way A revolving chain carrying buckets filled from the Pond now near where our Pumping station is, carried these many buckets up the hill and gave a larger supply of water to each house as needed as thers were only twelve houses the supply was addequete, The old Bennethouse was the furthest away from the supply.

The old Lothrop House opposite the Sharon Golf Links is an interesting old house The Lothrops were related to the Ames of North Easton and built the house in 1840.

Mrs Irving Spears House on Massapoag St has much interesting history and was called the Capen Barney Place, see records in Dedham

MY GARDEN

In these days of gardens and garden-making, when many of us are cultivating the flowers our Grandmothers cared for and loved, what to grow and how to grow it are matters of daily increasing thought, you may be interested to know how a garden was laid out and planted by one who could not realize flowers. This garden lies in a darkened room, no sunshine falls upon it, no pale moonlight floods its fragrant blossoms, and even the breezes must be tempered ere they are welcomed, but it grows and thrives and gives a world of comfort and pleasure. Come and walk with me through this garden of mine. Here you will enter through the wide gateway of imagination. Let us wander down the central path. It is firm and hard because it is made of courage, and on both sides are lovely flowers in bloom. Here is a large bed of beautiful, bright blossoms of Hope; there is a bed of Patience, the coloring is always soft and gentle; near by the sturdy, vigorous plants called Courage, climbing high on steadfast poles; and that dear little vine running close to the ground, in and out among the other flowers, is known as Cheerfulness. There is a small hot-bed in that southerly corner where I raise smiles, because, as you well know, very often it happens that they have to be forced. Down at the end of the path trickles a tiny fountain. It sings a trusting little song and in its shining pool I wash away the fears and tears! See what a high fence I have built around my garden! It is made of Determination, with good stout posts of Perseverance. This protection is absolutely necessary to keep out the Grumble Vine, and annoying, persistent weed, doing no end of harm, which grows just outside and is continually trying to creep in.

Amelia Grant Schwarz



Flanders House before remodeling

Back of Flander house and stable.





Pump house and barn on Flanders Place



Old horsecar sent from Cambridge back of Flanders Place used
for dwelling.



THE VILLAGE FROM CROSSMOOR ROAD



POND STREET AND SOUTH MAIN STREET FROM POST OFFICE SQUARE



NORTH MAIN STREET FROM POST OFFICE SQUARE



OLD STONE MILL WHERE COTTON DUCK WAS FIRST MADE

